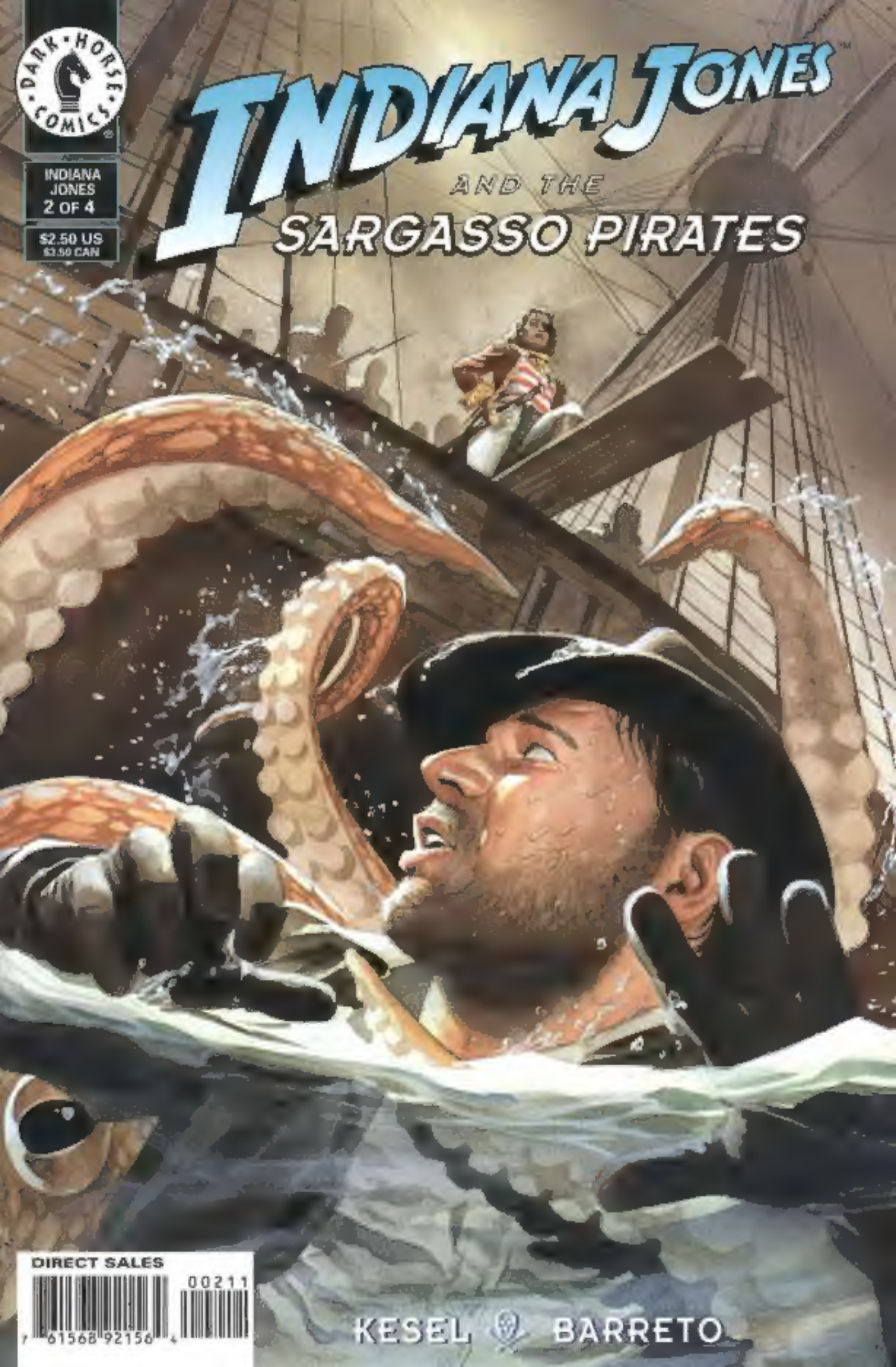
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FISHING BOATS, LADY?
MAYBE I'D EVEN SETTLE FOR A NAZI U-BOAT...!
HALLO! WE'VE BEEN ADRIFT AT SEA! CAN YOU HELP US!
SAVE YER BREATH, DRIFTER. THERE'S NO HELP FER YA HEARD.
NO HELP FER ANY A US...
WHERE ARRE WE, LAWTON?
INDIANA JONES— WELCOME TA THE SARGASSO SEA! THE GRAVEYARD A LOST SHIPS!
WHATEVER GETS IN HERE... NEVER GETS OUT!

SEA OF TROUBLES!

THE SARGASSO SEA!
WHAT'S NEXT, JONES? NEVER-NEVER LAND?
THE SARGASSO'S REAL ENGLISH, CAIRO. CHECK ANY GOOD MAP.
I JUST NEVER BOUGHT INTO THAT "GRAVEYARD OF LOST SHIPS" STUFF BEFORE.
I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE TRAPPED HERE...
SCHOONER... STEAMER... LIFE-BOAT... THEY'S ALL THE SAME TA THE SARGASSO.
SHE GOTS NO WINDS... NO CURRENTS... AN' 'ER WEEDS IS THICK 'NUFF TO BLOW ANY BOILER.
GALLEY YARNS TELL THESE MISTS NEVER PART... AN' COMPASSES SPIN LIKE BOTTLES IN BILGE WATER...
THAR'S NO WAY T'SIT, YER SIERRAN'S, DIGGER.
NO WAY KNOWIN' WHICH WAY'S HELP... AN' WHICH WAY'S HELL...
SO WHAT'S THE PLAN, BONS? SIT HERE AND STARVE?
HEAVEN FORBID, CAIRO!
WHY, THESE DERELICT CRAFTS COULD BE AN UNEXPLOITED CORNUCOPIA!
PRESERVED HAMS... FINE BORDEAUX... A HUMIDOR OF CORONAS...
DON'T GET YOUR HOPES UP, NEW JERSEY.
BUT LOOKING AROUND'S NOT A BAD IDEA...

NOT ALL A' THESE BEAUTIES IS SHIPYARD-SOUND, DIGGER.
A STRONG ROPE'D BE A HANDY LIFE LINE.
TOO BAD YER ONLY LENGTH'S TIED TA OL' BILL LAWTON HERE...
DOESN'T MATTER. HE'S THE ONLY ONE OF US WHO KNOWS BOATS, UNTIE HIM.
YOU'RE LUCKY IT'S NOT AROUND YOUR NECK, PAL!
REMEMBER, LAWTON-- NEXT TIME YOU CROSS ME...
...IT'LL BE THE LAST TIME.
WE'S MATES, DIGGER... FER NOW.
JIST MIND YA DON'T FALLS IN. THESE WEEDS'LL PULL YA UNDER FASTER'N QUICK-SAND.
IN THAT CASE, I VOLUNTEER TO STAY BEHIND.
WE'RE STICKING TOGETHER, NEW JERSEY!
STRIPPED TA HER PLANKIN'S!
THIS SHIP WEREN'T ABANDONED-- SHE WERE LOOTED CLEAN!

SHIP AFTER SHIP—EMPTY!
EVERY CONCEIVABLE PARTICLE MISSING!
EVERY MORSEL OF FOOD GONE!
NOT A SMOKED SAUSAGE! NOT A SOUP BONE! NOT EVEN A MOLDY PIECE OF CHEESE I'M NOT PARTICULARLY FOND OF!
OH, CRUEL FATE! I SHALL SURELY STARVE!
THESE BOATS, INDY... I DUNNO...
...COULD PEOPLE BE LIVING HERE?
MORE LIKELY NEARBY ISLANDERS RAID THIS PLACE, SELLING WHAT THEY CAN AS SCRAP AND SOUVENIRS.
AND THAT MEANS THERE'S A WAY OU—
HEY!
THAT'S A SPANISH GALLEON AND AN ENGLISH MAN-O'-WAR!
BUT THOSE SHIPS WOULD HAVE TO BE OVER THREE HUNDRED YEARS OLD!
BITTER ENEMIES FROM THE LOOKS, eh, DIGGER?
WONDERS WHO WAS LAST MAN STANDIN' THAT TIME...
ENGLAND. IT WAS HER FIRST TIME AT SEA, MORE OR LESS.
HOW COULD THESE SHIPS STILL BE HERE, LAWTON?
THE SARGASSO'S WEEDS TANGLE 'EM ...AN' THE SAME THICK WEEDS KEEPS 'EM FROM SINKIN'.
BEEN THAT WAY SINCE MAN FIRST MADE A BOX WHAT FLOATS.

THEN THERE COULD BE ALL KINDS OF SHIPS HERE!
ROMAN GALLEYS... uh... PHOENICIAN BIREMES... TRIREMES... EGYPTIAN--
WHAT IS THIS, JONES-- STUDY HOUR?
I CAN NAME THE KIND OF BOAT I'M INTERESTED IN REAL EASY--ONE THAT'LL GET US OUT OF THIS PLACE!
THIS IS AN IMPORTANT ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIND, CAIRO!
SURE, INDY-- AND WE HAVE TO FIND SOME FOOD AND FIND A WAY OUT, OR SOMEONE IS GONNA FIND US DEAD!
THOSE WRECKS PROB'LY BEEN PLUNDERED LONG AGO A' THE TRINKETS YOU WANTS, DIGGER.
UNLESS YER PLANNIN' TA STOW A WHOLE GALLEON IN YER PACK!
I REALLY HATE TO SAY THIS, BUT...
...YOU'RE RIGHT, LAWTON.
YOU TOO, CAIRO.
WE'VE GOT ENOUGH TO WORRY ABOUT RIGHT NOW.

GETTING DARK. MIGHT AS WELL STAY HERE FOR THE --
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING, LAWTON?
GOIN' FISHIN!'
KREK!
THE HULL A' THIS BEAUTY'S ROTTED THROUGH. SHOULD BE TEARIN' WITH CATCH.
LET THE GIRLIE AN' GRIFTER PULLS UP PLANKIN' FER FIREWOOD. YOU COMES WITH ME, DIGGER.
IF THIS IS A TRICK, LAWTON...
NOT IF'N I KNOWS WHAT I KNOWS.
'SIDES, YA GOTS THE TORCH AN' GUN... WHAT'RE YA AFEARED A'?
SNAKES!
THIS PLACE IS FULL OF SNAKES!
SEA-SNAKES, DIGGER! EELS!
THEY COMES TA THESE WATERS TA MATES! THE SARGASSO'S FULLA THE BEASTIES!
HAR! THAR'LL BE GOOD EATIN'S TONIGHT!
...DELECTABLE! NOT UNLIKE CHICKEN!
I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU COULD HAVE PASSED THIS UP, INDY.
WELL, THIS, uh, SEAWEED'S REALLY FILLING STUFF.

REST ASSURED YOUR PORTION DIDN'T GO TO WASTE!
Urrp!
SPEAKING OF REST...
COME, CAIRO-- OUR CABIN AWAITS! IT HAS AN OCEAN VIEW...
TAKE A HIKE, NEW JERSEY!
THE DEAL WAS, YOU'D GET ME TO NEW YORK CITY... THIS ISN'T EVEN ONE OF ITS BOROUGHS!
ALL BETS ARE OFF. FIND SOMEONE ELSE TO PLAY YOUR PAPER DOLL.
CAIRO, YOU'RE SUCH AN AMUSING LITTLE CREATURE...
YOU HEARD HER, NEW JERSEY.
THIS IS HOW IT'S GONNA BE -- SHE GETS THE CABIN, THE THREE OF US SLEEP OUT HERE.
I'S USIN' THIS FRESH WATER TA CLEANS OUT ME SHOULDER, DIGGER.
THE GIRLIE PLUGGED ME BACKS ON THE NORMANDIE. BULLET SHOT CLEAN THROUGH, BUT...
WELL, YA DOESN'T WANT TA MAKES ME LOSE ME ARM, TOO, DOES YA?
THANK GOD I DON'T HAVE TO SLEEP IN THIS OUTFIT AGAIN!
GOTTA KEEP YOUR TOOLS SHARP, GIRL -- NEVER KNOW WHEN THEY MIGHT BE USEFUL.
NOW, IF ONLY THIS HEAP WERE HAUNTED BY AN OLD LAUNDRYMAN WHO --
FUNNY -- THOUGHT I HEARD SOMETHING OUT HERE.
PROBABLY JUST INDY AND THE OTHERS. HARD TO TELL WHAT'S COMING FROM WHERE IN THIS FOG...

ZZZZZ
KREEEK
YI! YI! YI!
YI! YI!
BLAM!
BLAM!
WH-HUHN?
KTOW!

THROWS ME A WEAPON, DIGGER!
WE'S ALL DEAD BY DAWN IF'N YA DON'TS!
NOW NOW MY GOOD MAN I'M SURE WE CAN WORK THINGS OUT
WHAM!
I RECOMMENT SURRENDER GENTS OR THE PRETTY LINE'S SMILE WILL BE EAR TO EAR
I RECOMMENT NOT A SURRY

OKAY EVERYONE TAKE IT EASY
WE JUST PUT OUR WEAPONS DOWN, AND
LAWTON!
WUUUHH
SWAK!
TUNG!
IT'S OKAY WE SAVED LAW
DON'T WE LAWTON?
HEH THEM FIGHT AREN'T CHEERLEADERS WE DON'T WANT ANY FIGHTING BETWEEN HERE AND THE BAY
SHOULD'VE KILLED YA ON THE ROOFTOPS, BIGGER SAVED US ALL A GREAT AT TROUBLES!

STEP LIVELY! YE BE GUESTS OF THE SARGASSO PIRATES NOW!
QUARTER MASTER SEGAIO SETS THE PACE
PUT MY MIND AT EASE, LAWTON
WHEN YOU THREW THAT AX YOU WERE AIMING AT THE PIRATE, RIGHT? NOT AT YOURS TRULY
ONE WAY'R TOTHER, GIRLIE
IT WOULD'R SOLVED THE PROBLEM
PIRATES CAPTURE INDEX COMPLETELY!
PRISONERS TAKEN INCLUDING THE SHERIFF OF SARGASSO!
WELCOME, VISITORS, TO SARGASSO BAY -- THE CITY OF SHIPS!
SOME SWELL YACHT CLUB! PUTTING THIS TOGETHER MUST'VE TAKEN
CENTURIES AIR USING EVERY HEART THEY COULD SALVAGE
NO WONDER THE SHIPS WE SPARED WERE EMPTY
EN THESE MEASER TIMEPIECES AT LAST TIKEN MY HEART!
ART ESCAPING THIS KEPIN, I'M SURE I COULD LEAD A LONG PROSPEROUS LIFE HERE
THAT FETTMORS WILL BE DECIDED BY THE SEA WITCH!

YOU MUST BE JOKING ! THE SEA WITCH "E
ABLE TO CALL UP THE BEASTS OF THE DEEP!
LEADER OF THE SARGASSO PIRATES, FARRULE-N
EARN PASSAGE
THE FREEDOM
SINGLE
THESE PRO-
INGS NOW
OPEN

OBVIOUSLY NONE OF THESE VISITORS WILL LIVE TO EARN PASSAGE. BETTER THEY BE CHAINED IN IRON STEEL -- BUT SHIP'S ARTICLES FORBID THE SEA WITCH EVEN THAT MERCY
THIS ONE WILL DISPENSE HER DUTIES. MAKE READY TO DISPENSE THE BOOTS.
FROM WHERE I'VE BEEN?
ANSWER SMART! THE SEA WITCH COMMANDS
AN JONES IS THE NAME NEW JERSEY BORES. I'M ONE OF THE JONES BOYS
I MUST APPEAL TO YOUR LOWLY HUMANITY HERE MISS WITCH AN
I'M SO FRIGHTENED MEHNE SAVE DON'T WE'RE NOT TO BLAME FOR TROUBLE
WE COME FROM FAR LANDS, AND
NOT ME DIGGER
BUT I AM TAKE FROM THE SEA
UNLASH THE ONE LEGGER
HIS WORDS MARK HIM ONE OF US

AS QUARTERMASTER SARGAR FOUND THIS BOOTY, HE HAS FIRST CLAIM
WHAT SAY YE?
THEIR VESSEL WAS A SETTLANGSBOOT, SEA WITCH, BUT THIS ZEYTLEMMAND COULD COLLECT FRESH WATER FOR ME
THE ONE CALLED LAWTON YE HAVE EARNED PASSAGE BY FEALTY TO THE SEA YE ARE WELCOMED TO OUR RANKS
I WANTS THE GUN
FOR THE GIRL IE!
THE PISTOL YE MAY HAVE BUT NOT THE WOMAN
THE SARGASSO SHACKLES OUR LIBERTY ENOUGH WE WILL NOT ADD THE CHAINS OF SLAVERY
THE SEA WITCH WILL GRANT YE A CLAIM OF THE FAIR ONE'S PASSAGE, INSTEAD
UNLASH HER BOA'N

WAIT! WE'RE TRAVELING TOGETHER! TELL THE GOOD LADY CAIRO!
DID I MENTION I'M FROM THE SEA TOO?
YO-HO HO! BRING THE PORT TO STARBOARD, SCUTTLE THE BILGE!
THE TIME FOR SUCH ANTICS HAS PASSED... IF IT EXISTED AT ALL
YE BOTH REMAINING MUST NOW CHOOSE A TEST. WET OR DRY.
SUCCEED AND YE JOIN US. BUT FAILURE IS DEATH, SLOW AND HORRIBLE
WHAT BE EACH OF YE'S DECISION-- WET OR DRY?
THE SEA WITCH GROWS IMPATIENT!
CHANCES ARE THE WET TEST HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH THESE EEL-INFESTED WATERS
ME I'M FUR THE DRY
THE WET TEST FOR THE FAT ONE
THE DRY TEST FUR ME!
PREPARE THE RUMRUSTHAN!
AND BRING THE STUTTERING ONE TO THE KRAKEN'S PIT!

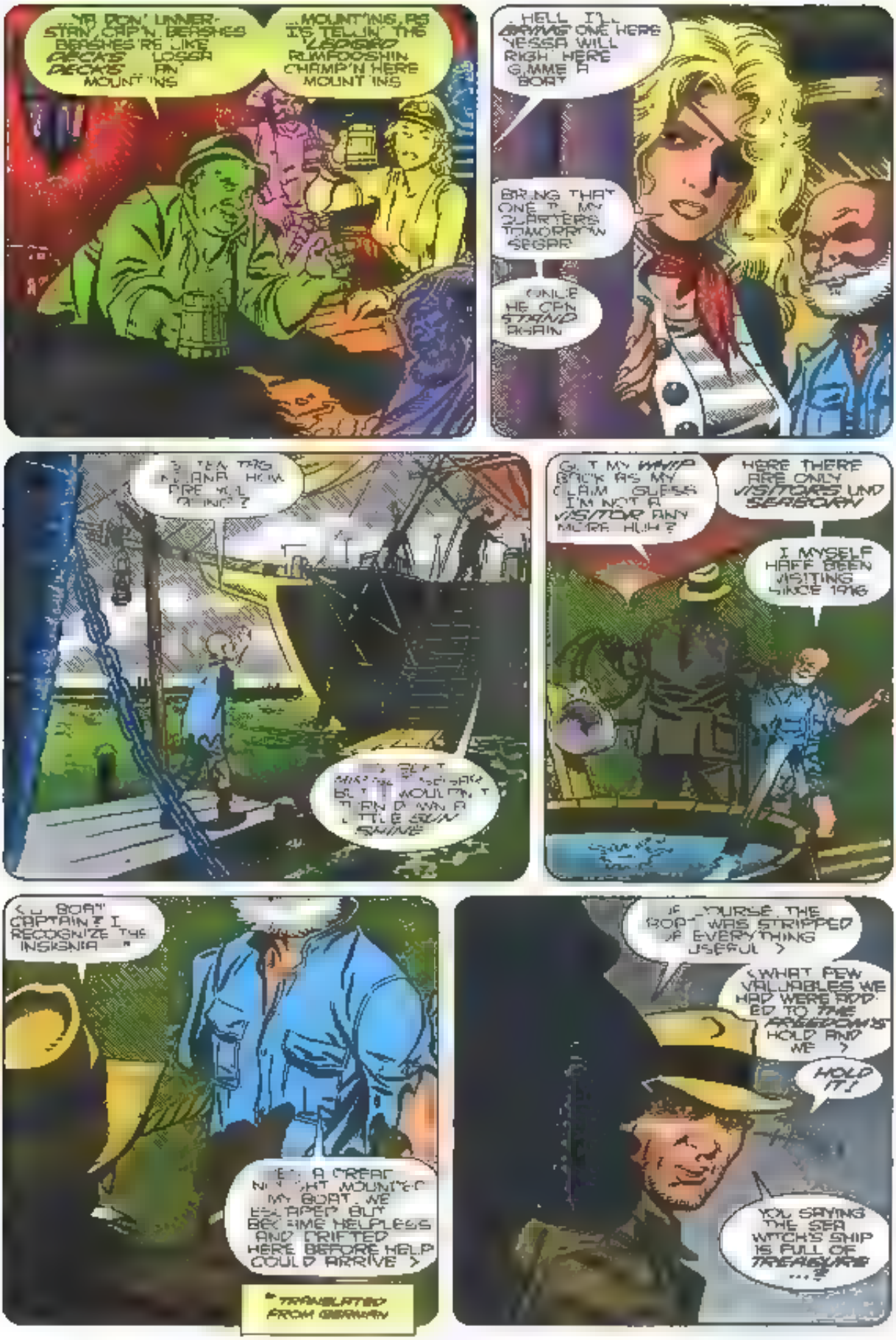
THE KRAKEN'S PIT! A DEADLY TEST INDY MUST PASS OR DIE TRYING!
WALK THE PLANK?
JIM, YOU DO KNOW, DON'T YOU? HISTORICALLY PIRATES DIDN'T DO THIS
CERTAINLY, BUT SO MANY VISITORS SEEMED TO EXPECT IT, THIS ONE DIDN'T WANT TO DISAPPOINT THEM.
OF COURSE YE DON'T WALK THE PLANK PROPER
YE LEAPS FROM HERE TO ONE OF YON BOARDS
THE CHASM IS GREAT ENOUGH AYE, BUT THE TRICK IS REACHING A PLANK NOT ROTTED THROUGH
I GET TO THE DRY TEST I HAVE TO KEEP DRY WHAT IF I END UP IN THE WATER?
THEN IT'S THE KRAKEN FOR YE
WHUM-OOOM!
WHUM-OOOM!
THE SEA WITCH CALLS THE KRAKEN!

LOOKIT THEM TENTACLES THRASHIN' THE WATERS
KIND'R LIKE SNAKES, eh DIGGER?
I'VE SEEN BIGGER
CUTE PET
THIS ONE CAUGHT IT SOME YEARS AGO IT TOOK AN EYE, BUT GAVE A VISION
THE BEAST CAN ONLY SUSTAIN A LIMITED NUMBER 'VE UNDER STAND
WHAT IF I REFUSE TO JUMP?
NEVER WAS MUCH OF A GOD AT MULTIPLE CHOICE

KOOONK!
HEY! CAN I TAKE 'EM, OR--
K-KRAKK!
SPLUSH!
SHAH!

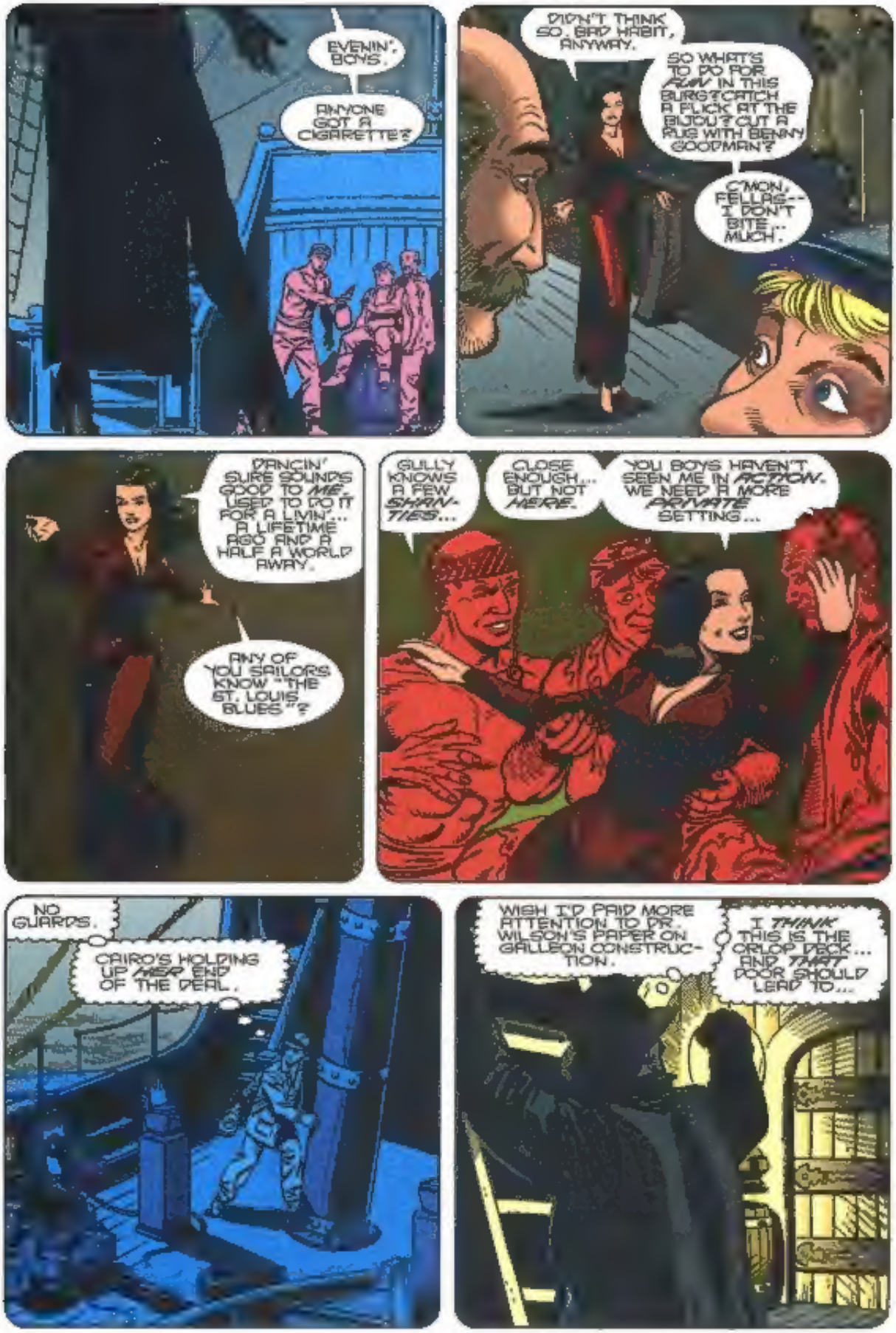
Ngh
SPAK! SPAK! SPAK!
PAK!
POOSH! POOSH!
BL- -
-T T-E
WATE-R
HARR-R-N THAR'S A TAVERN IN PORT, ME BULLY BOYS. FIRST ROUND'S ON BILL LANTON!

WAIT
ASK!
ONLY ONE OTHER HAS BESTED THE KRAKEN BEFORE VISITOR YE HAVE EARNED PASSAGE, INDEED
BOSUN... HELP HIM FROM THE PIT
JUST A FEW INCHES TALLER CAIRO THAT'S ALL
WHAT ABOUT NEW JERSEY?
WHAT KIND OF TWISTED TORTURE ARE THEY PUTTING MIMI THROUGH?
RUMFUSTIAN? A CONCOCTURE OF ABOUT 120 PROOF!
INDY - THE WET TEST IS A DRINKING CONTEST!


YA DON' UNNER-STAN, CAP'N BEARDS BEARDS RE LIKE BECAUS' LOSSA BECAUS' IN MOUNT'INS
...MOUNT'INS, RE IS TELLIN' THE LEGEND RUMFOOSHIN CHAMP'N HERE MOUNT'INS
HELL I'D GIMME ONE HERE YESSA WILL RIGH' HERE GIMME IT BORT
BRING THAT ONE T' MY QUARTERS TOMORROW MORN SEGAR
UNCLE HE CAN STAND AGAIN
BUT I WOULDN'T MIND A LITTLE SUN SHINE
HERE THERE ARE ONLY VISITORS UND SEASONAL
I MYSELF HAFF BEEN VISITING SINCE 1946
YOU BOAT CAPTAIN? I RECOGNIZE THE INSIGNIA *
A GREAT NIGHT MOUNTAIN MY BOAT WE ESCAPED BUT BECAME HELPLESS AND DRIFTED HERE BEFORE HELP COULD ARRIVE
* TRANSLATED FROM GERMAN
YOURSELF THE BOAT WAS STRIPPED OF EVERYTHING USEFUL
WHAT FEW VALUABLES WE HAD WERE ADDED TO THE FREEDOM'S HOLD AND WE
HOLD IT!
YOU SAYING THE SEA WITCH'S SHIP IS FULL OF TREASURE ...?

JR, THE FREEDOM IS FILLED WITH BOOTY FROM EVERY SHIP IN THE SARGASSO. IT IS COMMON KNOWLEDGE.
THE VIKING AX I HAD... IS THAT THERE?
UND PIECES FROM ANCIENT GREECE, ROME, EGYPT...
THEY VILL MAKE US ALL RICH MEN IF... VHEN VE ESCAPE HERE.
EVERYONE VILL RECEIVE EQUAL SHARES-- INCLUDING YOU, INDIANA.
I'VE GOTTA SEE THIS STUFF, SEGAR. ANY WAY YOU CAN GET ME IN?
NEIN! YOU VOULD HAFF TO TALK TO THE SEA WITCH MERSAILA...
PERMISSION TO COME ON BOARD, SEA WITCH?
PERMISSION DENIED.
THOUGHT MAYBE I COULD PAY YOU BACK A LITTLE FOR SAVING MY LIFE AT THE KRAKEN'S PIT.
SEE, I BEEN AROUND THE WORLD--SEEN THINGS AND LANDS YOU CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE...
FOOLISH MAN! THE SEA WITCH HAS NO INTEREST IN LAND!
THIS ONE IS SEA-BORN! THE SEA IS HER STRENGTH... THE STRENGTH OF ALL SARGASSO PIRATES!
BEBOME! THIS ONE HAS IMPORTANT MATTERS TO ATTEND TO...

SEA WITCH, MY DEAR -- I CAME AS SOON AS I GOT YOUR MESSAGE!
MANY THANKS, NEW JERSEY.
COME -- THIS ONE'S PRIVATE CHAMBERS ARE AFT...
THIS ONE DESIRES TO KNOW ALL ABOUT THAT WHICH SHE HAS NEVER SEEN -- LAND! MOUNTAINS! BEACHES!
BUT BE WARNED -- MY MEN MUST NEVER HEAR OF THIS!
OH, I WILL BE THE SOUL OF DISCRETION, WITCHIE...
CAIRO! JUST THE PERSON I'M LOOKING FOR.
DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S IN THE SEA WITCH'S SHIP?
SURE, TREASURE GALORE, WE'RE ALL RICH AS ROCKEFELLER.
NOW I CAN BUY SOME OF THOSE FOPPING OUTFITS THAT'RE ALL THE RAGE IN THIS PLACE.
IF ONLY I COULD GET IN, THERE'RE PROBABLY ARTIFACTS DATING BACK CENTURIES...
JONES -- THIS OBSESSION OF YOURS IS CHARMING, BUT FIRST THINGS FIRST!
WE'RE TRAPPED HERE!
AND THE FREEDOM'S THE ONLY SHIP IN ANY CONDITION TO GET OUT.
LISTEN...


EVENIN', BOYS.
ANYONE GOT A CIGARETTE?
DIDN'T THINK SO. BAD HABIT, ANYWAY.
SO WHAT'S TO DO FOR *FUN* IN THIS BURG? CATCH A FLICK AT THE BIJOU? CUT A RUG WITH BENNY GOODMAN?
C'MON, FELLAS-- I DON'T BITE... MUCH.
DANCIN' SURE SOUNDS GOOD TO *ME*. USED TO DO IT FOR A LIVIN'... A LIFETIME AGO AND A HALF A WORLD AWAY.
ANY OF YOU SAILORS KNOW "THE ST. LOUIS BLUES"?
GULLY KNOWS A FEW *SHANTIES*...
CLOSE ENOUGH... BUT NOT *HERE*.
YOU BOYS HAVEN'T SEEN ME IN *ACTION*. WE NEED A MORE *PRIVATE* SETTING...
NO GUARDS.
CAIRO'S HOLDING UP *HER* END OF THE DEAL.
WISH I'D PAID MORE ATTENTION TO PR. WILSON'S PAPER ON GALLEON CONSTRUCTION.
I *THINK* THIS IS THE ORLOP DECK... AND *THAT* DOOR SHOULD LEAD TO...

...THE TREASURE ROOM!
I KNOW MAYBE MAJOR MUSEUMS WITH SMALLER COLLECTIONS THAN THIS.
GREEK... VENETIAN... MINOAN... EVERY WESTERN CULTURE THAT EVER SAILED THE SEA IS RIGHT HERE.
JUST ABOUT EVERY PIECE IS FILLED, TOO -- GOLD... PIECES OF EIGHT... JEWEL --
BLAM! BLAM!
THAT'S MY GUN!
LAWTON!
AYE, IT'S MUTINY, WITCH, SWEET 'N' SIMPLE.
BILL LAWTON'S IN CHARGE NOW, AN' THEM WHAT DON'T AGREES...
...PAYS A PRICE A' BLOOD!

--TO BE CONTINUED--